GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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RICE PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether new high yielding varieties of rice seeds are being made available to the farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details regarding annual rice production per-hectare in the country, zone-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The details of the new high yielding rice varieties notified under Section 5 of the Seeds Act, 1966 for cultivation to the farmers during the last three years is at Annexure.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Average annual rice yield at the country level is 2203 kgs./hectare. However, Zone-wise particulars are not available.